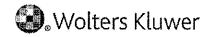
# **EXHIBIT A**



CT Corporation Service of Process Notification 07/21/2022 CT Log Number 541968000

#### **Service of Process Transmittal Summary**

TO: General Counsel

Daimler Truck North America LLC 4555 N CHANNEL AVE, HQ637B-LGL PORTLAND, OR 97217-7613

RE: Process Served in New York

FOR: Daimler Trucks North America LLC (Former Name) (Domestic State; DE)

Daimler Truck North America LLC (True Name)

ENCLOSED ARE COPIES OF LEGAL PROCESS RECEIVED BY THE STATUTORY AGENT OF THE ABOVE COMPANY AS FOLLOWS:

TITLE OF ACTION: Re: BRIJMATTIE KISSOON, as Administrator of the Estate of TRIBHOWANDEO

GANGARAM, and BRIJMATTIE KISSOON, Individually // To: Daimler Truck North America

LLC

CASE#: 5115782022

NATURE OF ACTION: Product Liability Litigation - Manufacturing Defect

PROCESS SERVED ON: C T Corporation System, New York, NY

DATE/METHOD OF SERVICE: By Non-Traceable Mail on 07/21/2022

JURISDICTION SERVED: New York

ACTION ITEMS: CT has retained the current log, Retain Date: 07/22/2022, Expected Purge Date:

07/27/2022

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July 15, 2022

Daimler Trucks North America, LLC C/O C T Corporation System 28 Liberty Avenue New York, New York 10005

Re: Brijmattie Kissoon, as Administrator of the

Estate of Tribhowandeo Gangaram, et al vs. Daimler Trucks North America, LLC, et al s.

D/A: April 25, 2020

Our File No.: 20-11142

Dear Sir/Madam:

Our file indicates that on May 4, 2022, a Summons and Verified Complaint was served upon Secretary of State, on your behalf. Enclosed is a copy of the Summons and Verified Complaint, along with the Affidavit verifying service. To date, we have not received an appearance or answer from you or any attorney on your behalf. This means that you are now in default.

Please interpose an answer as soon as possible. If we do not hear from you within ten (10) days, we will have no choice but to begin default proceedings.

Very truly yours,

GOLDSTEIN & GOLDSTEIN, P.C.

Latasha Richardson

Legal Assistant

Enclosures

### AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF STATE

SUPREME COURT STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF KINGS	Purchased/Filed: April 21, 2022 index # 511578/2022
BRIJMATTIE KISSOON, AS ADMINISTRATOR ( GANGARAM, E	Fig. 1 1144
against	·
DAIMLER TRUCKS NORTH A	AMERICA, LLC ET AL Defendant
STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF ALBANY SS.:	
JAMES PERONE	, being duly sworn, deposes and says: deponent is over
the age of eighteen (18) years; that onM	ay 4, 2022 , at 11:00 AM , at the office of the
Secretary of State of the State of New York in the City of	of Albany, New York deponent served the annexed
. SUMMONS AND VE	RIFIED COMPLAINT
	on
DAIMLER TRUCKS NO	ORTH AMERICA, LLC , the
Defendant in this action, by delivering to and leaving wi	th Nancy Dougherty,
AUTHORIZED AGENT in the Office of the Secretary of	State, of the State of New York, personally at the Office of
the Secretary of State of the State of New York, 99 Wa	shington Avenue, Albany, NY, 2 true copies thereof and that
at the time of making such service, deponent paid said	Secretary of State a fee 40 dollars; That said service was
made pursuant to Section 303 Limited Liability Compa	ny Law. Deponent further says that deponent knew the
person so served as aforesaid to be the agent in the O	ffice of the Secretary of State of the State of New York, duly
authorized to accept such service on behalf of said def	endant
Description of the person served: Approx. Age:55-	60 Approx. Wt: 130lbs Approx. Ht: 5'3"
Color of skin: White Hair color: Black Se	ex: Female Other:
Sworn to before me on this	
4th day of May 2022	
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HEATHER MORIGERATO NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF NEW YORK NO. 01M06261464	JAMES PERONE
QUALIFIED IN ALBANY COUNTY COMMISSION EXPIRES MAY 14, 2024	Attny's File No. 20-11142 Invoice-Work Order # S1876523

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF KINGS

PRIMATTIE VISSOON on Administrator of the

BRIJMATTIE KISSOON, as Administrator of the Estate of TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM, and BRIJMATTIE KISSOON, Individually,

Plaintiffs,

-against-

DAIMLER TRUCKS NORTH AMERICA, LLC, NAVISTAR, INC., FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION, and THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC.

Defendants.

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#### **SUMMONS**

Plaintiff designates Kings County as the place of trial.

The basis of venue is: Location of Accident

#### To the above named Defendants:

You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the plaintiff's attorneys within twenty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, where service is made by delivery upon you personally within the state, or, within 30 days after completion of service where service is made in any other manner. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated: BROOKLYN, NEW YORK April 20, 2022

> MARK I. GOLDSTEIN GOLDSTEIN & GOLDSTEIN, P.C.

Altorneys for Plaintiffs 26 Court Street, 20th Floor Brooklyn, New York 11242

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Our File No. 20-11142

TO: DAIMLER TRUCKS NORTH AMERICA, LLC
NAVISTAR, INC.
THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC.
FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF KINGS
-----X
BRIJMATTIE KISSOON, as Administrator of the
Estate of TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM, and
BRIJMATTIE KISSOON,
Individually,

Plaintiffs,

Index No.:

-against- VERIFIED COMPLAINT

DAIMLER TRUCKS NORTH AMERICA, LLC, NAVISTAR, INC., FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION, and THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC.

Defendants.

Plaintiffs, by their attorneys, GOLDSTEIN & GOLDSTEIN, P.C. complaining of the Defendants, respectfully allege, upon information and belief, as follows:

### AS AND FOR A FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION ON BEHALF OF TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM

- 1. At all times herein mentioned, Plaintiff BRIJMATTIE KISSOON was appointed administrator of the Estate of decedent TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM.
- At all times herein mentioned, Decedent TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM was employed by LOGAN BUS COMPANY.
- 3. At all times herein mentioned, Decedent TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM was working on a 2005 Freightliner Bus, New York Plate number 20602 BB.
- 4. That at all times herein mentioned, while working on the aforesaid bus, plaintiff decedent was in the course of his employment.

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- 5. At all times herein mentioned, Defendant, DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC was and still is a foreign limited liability company duly authorized to do business in the State of New York.
- 6. That at all times herein mentioned, Defendant THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. was and still is a foreign business corporation authorized to do business in the State of New York.
- 7. That at all times herein mentioned, Defendant NAVISTAR, INC. was and still is a foreign business corporation authorized to do business in the State of New York.
- 8. That at all times herein mentioned, Defendant FREIGHTLINER CORPORATRION was and still is a foreign business corporation authorized to do business in the State of New York.
- That Defendant, DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC committed a tortious act 9. within the State of New York.
- 10. That Defendant, DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC regularly does, or solicits, business in the State of New York.
- That Defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC received substantial revenue 11. from goods used or consumed, or services rendered, in the State of New York.
- 12. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing Alliance Parts for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.
- That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA 13. LLC was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing Alliance Parts for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.
- That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA 14. LLC was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY

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Plate No. 20602BB and Vin number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.

- 15. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate No. 20602BB and Vin number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.
- 16. That at all times herein mentioned, the defendant **DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC** was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing Alliance Parts which were a part of the aforesaid 2005 Freightliner bus with NY Plate number 20602BB and Vin number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255.
- 17. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA

  LLC was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the components and/or parts of

  Freightliner Buses for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.
- 18. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the components and/or parts of Freightliner Buses for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.
- 19. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant **DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC** was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the components and/or parts of the 2005

  Freightliner Bus with NY Plate number 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN2255 for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.
- 20. That at all times hereinafter mentioned, the defendant **DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA, LLC** was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the components and/or parts of Thomas Built buses which were a part of the aforesaid 2005 Freightliner bus with NY Plate number 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN2255 for the purpose of the sale and use of the general public.

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21. That at all times herein mentioned, and prior to April 25, 2020, the Defendant, DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA, LLC was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the components and/or parts of Thomas Built Buses for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.

- 22. That at all times herein mentioned, and prior to April 25, 2020, the Defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA, LLC was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the component and/or parts of Thomas Built Buses for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.
  - 23. That Defendant, NAVISTAR, INC. committed a tortious act within the State of New York.
- 24. That Defendant, NAVISTAR, INC. regularly does, or solicits, business in the State of New York.
- 25. That Defendant NAVISTAR, INC. received substantial revenue from goods used or consumed, or services rendered, in the State of New York.
- 26. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant NAVISTAR, INC. was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing components and/or parts of International Buses for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.
- 27. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant NAVISTAR, INC. was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing component and/or parts of International Buses for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.
- 28. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant NAVISTAR, INC, was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate No. 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.
- 29. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant NAVISTAR, INC. was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate No. 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.

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30. That at all times herein mentioned the defendant NAVISTAR, INC. was in the business of selling, manufacturing, and distributing the component parts of International bus which were a part of the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate No. 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255.

- 31. That Defendant, THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. committed a tortious act within the State of New York.
- 32. That Defendant, THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. regularly does, or solicits, business in the State of New York.
- 33. That Defendant THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. received substantial revenue from goods used or consumed, or services rendered, in the State of New York.
- 34. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing bus parts and components for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.
- 35. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing bus parts and components for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.
- 36. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the component bus parts in the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate No. 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.
- 37. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the component parts in the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate No. 20602BB and Vin number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.

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38. That at all times herein mentioned, the defendant **THOMAS BUILT BUSES**, **INC.** was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate No. 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255.

- 39. At all times herein mentioned, Defendant, FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION is a foreign limited liability company duly authorized to do business in the State of New York.
- 40. That at all times herein mentioned, Defendant FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION was and still is a foreign business corporation authorized to do business in the State of New York.
- 41. That Defendant, FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION committed a tortious act within the State of New York.
- 42. That Defendant, FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION regularly does, or solicits, business in the State of New York.
- 43. That Defendant FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION received substantial revenue from goods used or consumed, or services rendered, in the State of New York.
- 44. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing bus parts and components for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.
- 45. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing bus parts and components for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.
- 46. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant FREIGHTLINER CORPRATION was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the component parts of the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate No. 20602BB and Vin number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.

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- 47. That at all times herein mentioned, the defendant FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate No. 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255.
- 48. That on April 25, 2020, plaintiff was working on a 2005 Freightliner plate number 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 with component parts manufactured by **DAIMLER TRUCK**NORTH AMERICA, LLC.
- 49. That on April 25, 2020, plaintiff was working on a 2005 Freightliner plate number 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 with component parts manufactured by NAVISTAR, INC.
- 50. That on April 25, 2020, plaintiff was working on a 2005 Freightliner plate number 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 with component parts manufactured by FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION.
- 51. That on April 25, 2020, plaintiff decedent was working on a 2005 Freightliner plate number 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 with component parts manufactured by THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC.
- 52. That on April 25, 2020, plaintiff decedent was working on a bus manufactured by defendants with Alliance Air Springs.
- 53. That the Defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA, LLC warranted said product was fit for the purpose for which it was intended.
- 54. That the Defendant **DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA**, **LLC** warranted that said product was safe to use in every respect, and had been manufactured safely and warranted that it was good, safe and proper to use.
- 55. That the Defendant, **DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA**, **LLC** impliedly warranted that the said product was of merchantable quality and was safe for use.

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56. That relying upon said warranties, Plaintiff proceeded to use the said product in accordance with its intended use.

- 57. That Defendant, DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA, LLC warranted its product and provided certain written instructions in connection with the use of the product.
- 58. That on April 25, 2020, the Plaintiff decedent while using the product in accordance with its intended use, was caused to suffer and sustain severe bodily injuries.
- 59. That on April 25, 2020 while using the product in accordance with its intended use, plaintiff decedent suffered injuries which were painful, debilitating, and ultimately caused the death of plaintiff decedent.
- 60. That the aforesaid accident was caused by reason that Defendant, DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA, LLC breached its warranty or product merchantability and fitness for the intended use of the said product which warranties were both express and implied.
- 61. That the Defendant NAVISTAR, INC. warranted said product was fit for the purpose for which it was intended.
- 62. That the Defendant NAVISTAR, INC. warranted that said product was safe to use in every respect, and had been manufactured safely and warranted that it was good, safe and proper to use.
- 63. That the Defendant, NAVISTAR, INC. impliedly warranted that the said product was of merchantable quality and was safe for use.
- 64. That relying upon said warranties, Plaintiff proceeded to use the said product in accordance with its intended use.
- 65. That Defendant, NAVISTAR, INC. warranted its product and provided certain written instructions in connection with the use of the product.

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66. That the aforesaid accident was caused by reason that Defendant, **NAVISTAR**, **INC**. breached its warranty or product merchantability and fitness for the intended use of the said product which warranties were both express and implied.

- 67. That the Defendant **THOMAS BUILT BUSES**, **INC.** warranted said product was fit for the purpose for which it was intended.
- 68. That the Defendant **THOMAS BUILT BUSES**, **INC.** warranted that said product was safe to use in every respect, and had been manufactured safely and warranted that it was good, safe and proper to use.
- 69. That the Defendant, THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. impliedly warranted that the said product was of merchantable quality and was safe for use.
- 70. That relying upon said warranties, Plaintiff proceeded to use the said product in accordance with its intended use.
- 71. That Defendant, **THOMAS BUILT BUSES**, **INC.** warranted its product and provided certain written instructions in connection with the use of the product.
- 72. That the aforesaid accident was caused by reason that Defendant, THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. breached its warranty or product merchantability and fitness for the intended use of the said product which warranties were both express and implied.
- 73. That the Defendant FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION warranted said product was fit for the purpose for which it was intended.
- 74. That the Defendant FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION warranted that said product was safe to use in every respect, and had been manufactured safely and warranted that it was good, safe and proper to use.
- 75. That the Defendant, **FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION** impliedly warranted that the said product was of merchantable quality and was safe for use.

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76. That relying upon said warranties, Plaintiff proceeded to use the said product in accordance with its intended use.

- 77. That Defendant, FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION warranted its product and provided certain written instructions in connection with the use of the product.
- 78. That the aforesaid accident was caused by reason that Defendant, FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION breached its warranty or product merchantability and fitness for the intended use of the said product which warranties were both express and implied.
  - 79. That this action falls under one or more of the exceptions of CPLR §1602.
- 80. That as a result of the foregoing, plaintiff's intestate and plaintiff's estate was damaged in an amount which exceeds jurisdictional limits.

# AS AND FOR A SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION ON BEHALF OF TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM

- 81. Plaintiff decedent **TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM**, repeats, reiterates and realleges each and every allegation contained in the First Cause of Action, together with the same force and effect as though same were more fully set forth at length herein.
- 82. That the said bus and its component parts were defective and that said defect was a substantial factor in causing the injury to the Plaintiff.
- 83. That on April 25, 2020, Plaintiff decedent **TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM**, used the product for the purpose and use normally intended.
- 84. That on April 25, 2020, while Plaintiff decedent **TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM** was using the said product, he was caused to suffer severe bodily injuries.

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85. That by reason of the foregoing, defendants, their servants, agents, licensees and/or employees are liable to Plaintiff for strict liability and tort, and/or strict products liability.

86. That by reason of the foregoing, plaintiff's intestate and plaintiff's estate, has been damaged in an amount which exceeds jurisdictional limits.

### AS AND FOR A THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION ON BEHALF OF TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM

- 87. Plaintiff decedent **TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM**, repeats, reiterates and realleges each and every allegation contained in the First and Second Causes of Action herein, together with the same force and effect, as though same more fully set forth at length herein.
- 88. That Plaintiff decedent **TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM** was caused to sustain those bodily injuries through no fault or carelessness of his own, but due wholly and solely to the acts and/or omissions which constituted the negligence of the Defendants, their agents, servants, licensees and/or employees in improperly and negligently manufacturing and producing said bus and component parts for use by the general public; and in otherwise being careless and negligent.
- 89. That by reason of the foregoing, plaintiff's intestate and plaintiff's estate, has been damaged in an amount which exceeds jurisdictional limits.

### AS AND FOR A FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION ON BEHALF OF TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM

90. Plaintiff decedent **TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM** repeats, reiterates and realleges each and every allegation contained in the First, Second and Third Causes of Action herein, together with the same force and effect as though same more fully set forth at length herein.

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91. That plaintiff decedent was caused to sustain those bodily injuries through no fault or carelessness of his own, but solely due to the acts and/or omissions which constituted the negligence of the defendants their agents, servants, licensees and/or employees, in failing to use proper skill in the manufacturing, designing and labeling of said product; in failing to provide for basic, common, safety principles; in labeling the product in a defective and improper manner; in failing to advise plaintiff decedent that the equipment in accordance with the instructions became defective and was unsafe and hazardous; in failing to properly inspect, design and test the aforesaid product before allowing same to be used by the general public; in failing to give proper and timely notice to plaintiff of the defective, unsafe and poorly labeled product, and improperly not providing for warnings, in accordance with the instructions of its use; in failing to provide a safe product, and causing, creating and allowing a defective, improper product by improperly designing the product; and permitting it to remain and exist; in negligently assembling the said product; in failing to provide proper safeguards and warnings to prevent injury to the users and others of the said product; in failing to warn the plaintiff decedent and others of the dangerous, improper and poorly designed label and defective instructions and condition of the product, and in manufacturing improperly and negligently designing labels, and warnings, and releasing same for its use to the general public; and in otherwise being careless and negligent.

92. That by reason of the foregoing, plaintiff's intestate and plaintiff's estate has been damaged in amount which exceeds jurisdictional limits.

### AS AND FOR A FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION ON BEHALF OF TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM

93. Plaintiff TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM repeats and realleges each and every allegation set forth above with the same force and effect as if more fully set forth at length herein.

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94. That as a result of the unlawful, improper, negligent, violative, obstreperous, wilful and grossly deficient acts, actions and conduct on the part of defendants, their agents, servants, personnel, and employees, the Wrongful Death of plaintiff decedent was caused, created and suffered.

95. That by virtue of the foregoing, plaintiff's intestate and plaintiff's estate have been damaged in amount which exceeds jurisdictional limits.

### AS AND FOR A SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION ON BEHALF OF BRIJMATTIE KISSOON

- 96. Plaintiff BRIJMATTIE KISSOON repeats and realleges each and every allegation set forth above with the same force and effect as if more fully set forth at length herein.
- 97. By reason of the above, Plaintiff BRIJMATTIE KISSOON brings this action for the wrongful death of Plaintiff decedent TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM on behalf of herself, and on behalf of all others entitled to compensation, for damages, both general and special, in an amount which exceeds the jurisdictional limits of all lower courts which would otherwise have jurisdiction.

WHEREFORE, plaintiffs demand judgment against the defendants herein in an amount which exceeds jurisdictional limitations, together with the costs and disbursements of this action.

Yours, etc.

GOLDSTEIN & GOLDSTEIN, P.C.

By: VV ( MARK I. GOLDSTEIN

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ATTORNEY'S VERIFICATION

MARK I. GOLDSTEIN, an attorney duly admitted to practice before the Courts of

the State of New York, affirms the following to be true under the penalties of perjury:

I am an attorney at GOLDSTEIN & GOLDSTEIN, P.C., attorneys of record for Plaintiffs,

TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM, and BRIJMATTIE KISSOON. I have read the annexed

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and know the contents thereof, and the same are true to my knowledge, except those matters therein which are stated to be alleged upon information and belief, and as to those matters I believe them to be true. My belief, as to those matters therein not stated upon knowledge, is based upon facts,

records, and other pertinent information contained in my files.

Dated: Brooklyn, New York

April 20, 2022.

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BRIJMATTIE KISSOON, as Administrator of the Estate of TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM, and BRIJMATTIE KISSOON, Individually,

Plaintiffs,

-against-

DAIMLER TRUCKS NORTH AMERICA, LLC, NAVISTAR, INC., FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION, and THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC.

Defendants.

#### SUMMONS AND VERIFIED COMPLAINT

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# SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF KINGS

BRIJMATTIE KISSOON, as Administrator of the Estate of TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM, et al

Plaintiff/Petitioner,

- against -

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DAIMLER TRUCKS NORTH AMERICA, LLC, NAVISTAR, INC., FREIGHTLINER, et al

Defendant/Respondent.

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CT Corporation Service of Process Notification 07/25/2022 CT Log Number 541990753

#### Service of Process Transmittal Summary

TO: General Counsel

Daimler Truck North America LLC 4555 N CHANNEL AVE, HQ637B-LGL PORTLAND, OR 97217-7613

RE: Process Served in New York

FOR: Thomas Built Buses, Inc. (Domestic State: NC)

#### ENCLOSED ARE COPIES OF LEGAL PROCESS RECEIVED BY THE STATUTORY AGENT OF THE ABOVE COMPANY AS FOLLOWS:

TITLE OF ACTION: Re: BRIJMATTIE KISSOON, as Administrator of the Estate of TRIBHOWANDEO

GANGARAM, and BRIJMATTIE KISSOON, Individually // To: Thomas Built Buses, Inc.

CASE #: 5115782022

NATURE OF ACTION: Personal Injury - Failure to Maintain Premises in a Safe Condition

PROCESS SERVED ON: CT Corporation System, New York, NY

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JURISDICTION SERVED: New York

ACTION ITEMS: CT has retained the current log, Retain Date: 07/27/2022, Expected Purge Date:

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REGISTERED AGENT CONTACT: C T Corporation System

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July 15, 2022

Thomas Built Buses, Inc C/O C T Corporation 28 Liberty Avenue New York, New York 10005

Re: Brijmattie Kissoon, as Administrator of the

Estate of Tribhowandeo Gangaram, et al vs. Daimler Trucks North America, LLC, et al s.

D/A: April 25, 2020

Our File No.: 20-11142

#### Dear Sir/Madam:

Our file indicates that on May 4, 2022, a Summons and Verified Complaint was served upon Secretary of State, on your behalf. Enclosed is a copy of the Summons and Verified Complaint, along with the Affidavit verifying service. To date, we have not received an appearance or answer from you or any attorney on your behalf. This means that you are now in default.

Please interpose an answer as soon as possible. If we do not hear from you within ten (10) days, we will have no choice but to begin default proceedings.

Very truly yours,

GOLDSJEIN & GOLDSTEIN, P.C.

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Latasha Richardson Legal Assistant

Enclosures

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. against	
DAIMLER TRUCKS NORTH AMERICA, L	LC ET AL Defendant
STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF ALBANY SS.:	
JAMES PERONE , being duly	sworn, deposes and says: deponent is over
the age of eighteen (18) years; that on May 4, 2022	, at <u>11:00 AM</u> , at the office of the
Secretary of State of the State of New York in the City of Albany, N	ew York deponent served the annexed
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at the time of making such service, deponent paid said Secretary of	of State a fee 40 dollars; That said service was
made pursuant to Section 306 Business Corporation Law. Depone	ent further says that deponent knew the person
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Plaintiffs,

-against-

DAIMLER TRUCKS NORTH AMERICA, LLC, NAVISTAR, INC., FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION, and THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC.

Defendants, -----X Index No.: 511578/2022

#### **SUMMONS**

Plaintiff designates Kings County as the place of trial.

The basis of venue is: Location of Accident

#### To the above named Defendants:

You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the plaintiff's attorneys within twenty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, where service is made by delivery upon you personally within the state, or, within 30 days after completion of service where service is made in any other manner. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated: BROOKLYN, NEW YORK April 20, 2022

MARK I. GOLDSTEIN

GOLDSTEIN & GOLDSTEIN, P.C.

A tomeys for Plaintiffs 26 Court Street, 20th Floor Brooklyn, New York 11242

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TO: DAIMLER TRUCKS NORTH AMERICA, LLC NAVISTAR, INC.
THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC.
FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION

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BRIJMATTIE KISSOON, as Administrator of the Estate of TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM, and BRIJMATTIE KISSOON, Individually,

Plaintiffs,

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VERIFIED COMPLAINT

DAIMLER TRUCKS NORTH AMERICA, LLC, NAVISTAR, INC., FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION, and THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC.

Defendants. -----X

Plaintiffs, by their attorneys, GOLDSTEIN & GOLDSTEIN, P.C. complaining of the Defendants, respectfully allege, upon information and belief, as follows:

### AS AND FOR A FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION ON BEHALF OF TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM

- 1. At all times herein mentioned, Plaintiff BRIJMATTIE KISSOON was appointed administrator of the Estate of decedent TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM.
- At all times herein mentioned, Decedent TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM was employed by LOGAN BUS COMPANY.
- 3. At all times herein mentioned, Decedent **TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM** was working on a 2005 Freightliner Bus, New York Plate number 20602 BB.
- 4. That at all times herein mentioned, while working on the aforesaid bus, plaintiff decedent was in the course of his employment.

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- 5. At all times herein mentioned, Defendant, DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC was and still is a foreign limited liability company duly authorized to do business in the State of New York.
- 6. That at all times herein mentioned, Defendant **THOMAS BUILT BUSES**, **INC.** was and still is a foreign business corporation authorized to do business in the State of New York.
- 7. That at all times herein mentioned, Defendant NAVISTAR, INC. was and still is a foreign business corporation authorized to do business in the State of New York.
- 8. That at all times herein mentioned, Defendant FREIGHTLINER CORPORATRION was and still is a foreign business corporation authorized to do business in the State of New York.
- That Defendant, DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC committed a tortious act within the State of New York.
- 10. That Defendant, DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC regularly does, or solicits, business in the State of New York.
- 11. That Defendant **DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC** received substantial revenue from goods used or consumed, or services rendered, in the State of New York.
- 12. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing Alliance Parts for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.
- 13. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing Alliance Parts for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.
- 14. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA

  LLC was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY

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Plate No. 20602BB and Vin number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.

- 15. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate No. 20602BB and Vin number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.
- 16. That at all times herein mentioned, the defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing Alliance Parts which were a part of the aforesaid 2005 Freightliner bus with NY Plate number 20602BB and Vin number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255.
- 17. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA

  LLC was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the components and/or parts of

  Freightliner Buses for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.
- 18. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the components and/or parts of Freightliner Buses for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.
- 19. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA LLC was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the components and/or parts of the 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate number 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN2255 for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.
- 20. That at all times hereinafter mentioned, the defendant **DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA, LLC** was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the components and/or parts of Thomas Built buses which were a part of the aforesaid 2005 Freightliner bus with NY Plate number 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN2255 for the purpose of the sale and use of the general public.

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- That at all times herein mentioned, and prior to April 25, 2020, the Defendant, DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA, LLC was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the components and/or parts of Thomas Built Buses for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.
- 22. That at all times herein mentioned, and prior to April 25, 2020, the Defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA, LLC was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the component and/or parts of Thomas Built Buses for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.
  - 23. That Defendant, NAVISTAR, INC. committed a tortious act within the State of New York.
- 24. That Defendant, NAVISTAR, INC. regularly does, or solicits, business in the State of New York.
- 25. That Defendant NAVISTAR, INC. received substantial revenue from goods used or consumed, or services rendered, in the State of New York.
- 26. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant NAVISTAR, INC. was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing components and/or parts of International Buses for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.
- 27. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant NAVISTAR, INC. was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing component and/or parts of International Buses for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.
- 28. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant NAVISTAR, INC. was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate No. 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.
- 29. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant NAVISTAR, INC. was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate No. 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.

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- 30. That at all times herein mentioned the defendant NAVISTAR, INC. was in the business of selling, manufacturing, and distributing the component parts of International bus which were a part of the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate No. 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255.
- 31. That Defendant, THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. committed a tortious act within the State of New York.
- 32. That Defendant, **THOMAS BUILT BUSES**, **INC**. regularly does, or solicits, business in the State of New York.
- 33. That Defendant **THOMAS BUILT BUSES**, INC. received substantial revenue from goods used or consumed, or services rendered, in the State of New York.
- 34. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing bus parts and components for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.
- 35. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing bus parts and components for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.
- That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant **THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC.** was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the component bus parts in the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate No. 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.
- 37. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the component parts in the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate No. 20602BB and Vin number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.

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38. That at all times herein mentioned, the defendant **THOMAS BUILT BUSES**, **INC.** was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate No. 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255.

- 39. At all times herein mentioned, Defendant, FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION is a foreign limited liability company duly authorized to do business in the State of New York.
- 40. That at all times herein mentioned, Defendant FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION was and still is a foreign business corporation authorized to do business in the State of New York.
- 41. That Defendant, FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION committed a tortious act within the State of New York.
- 42. That Defendant, FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION regularly does, or solicits, business in the State of New York.
- 43. That Defendant FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION received substantial revenue from goods used or consumed, or services rendered, in the State of New York.
- 44. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing bus parts and components for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.
- 45. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing bus parts and components for the purpose of sale and use to businesses.
- 46. That at all times herein mentioned the Defendant FREIGHTLINER CORPRATION was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the component parts of the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate No. 20602BB and Vin number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 for the purpose of sale and use to the general public.

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47. That at all times herein mentioned, the defendant FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION was in the business of selling, manufacturing and distributing the subject 2005 Freightliner Bus with NY Plate No. 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255.

- 48. That on April 25, 2020, plaintiff was working on a 2005 Freightliner plate number 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 with component parts manufactured by **DAIMLER TRUCK**NORTH AMERICA, LLC.
- 49. That on April 25, 2020, plaintiff was working on a 2005 Freightliner plate number 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 with component parts manufactured by NAVISTAR, INC.
- 50. That on April 25, 2020, plaintiff was working on a 2005 Freightliner plate number 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 with component parts manufactured by FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION.
- 51. That on April 25, 2020, plaintiff decedent was working on a 2005 Freightliner plate number 20602BB and VIN number 4UZAAXCS55CN21255 with component parts manufactured by THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC.
- 52. That on April 25, 2020, plaintiff decedent was working on a bus manufactured by defendants with Alliance Air Springs.
- 53. That the Defendant DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA, LLC warranted said product was fit for the purpose for which it was intended.
- 54. That the Defendant **DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA**, **LLC** warranted that said product was safe to use in every respect, and had been manufactured safely and warranted that it was good, safe and proper to use.
- 55. That the Defendant, DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA, LLC impliedly warranted that the said product was of merchantable quality and was safe for use.

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56. That relying upon said warranties, Plaintiff proceeded to use the said product in accordance with its intended use.

- 57. That Defendant, **DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA**, **LLC** warranted its product and provided certain written instructions in connection with the use of the product.
- 58. That on April 25, 2020, the Plaintiff decedent while using the product in accordance with its intended use, was caused to suffer and sustain severe bodily injuries.
- 59. That on April 25, 2020 while using the product in accordance with its intended use, plaintiff decedent suffered injuries which were painful, debilitating, and ultimately caused the death of plaintiff decedent.
- 60. That the aforesaid accident was caused by reason that Defendant, DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA, LLC breached its warranty or product merchantability and fitness for the intended use of the said product which warranties were both express and implied.
- 61. That the Defendant NAVISTAR, INC. warranted said product was fit for the purpose for which it was intended.
- 62. That the Defendant NAVISTAR, INC. warranted that said product was safe to use in every respect, and had been manufactured safely and warranted that it was good, safe and proper to use.
- 63. That the Defendant, NAVISTAR, INC. impliedly warranted that the said product was of merchantable quality and was safe for use.
- 64. That relying upon said warranties, Plaintiff proceeded to use the said product in accordance with its intended use.
- 65. That Defendant, NAVISTAR, INC. warranted its product and provided certain written instructions in connection with the use of the product.

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66. That the aforesaid accident was caused by reason that Defendant, NAVISTAR, INC. breached its warranty or product merchantability and fitness for the intended use of the said product which warranties were both express and implied.

- That the Defendant THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. warranted said product was fit for the 67. purpose for which it was intended.
- 68. That the Defendant THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. warranted that said product was safe to use in every respect, and had been manufactured safely and warranted that it was good, safe and proper to use.
- 69, That the Defendant, THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. impliedly warranted that the said product was of merchantable quality and was safe for use.
- 70. That relying upon said warranties, Plaintiff proceeded to use the said product in accordance with its intended use.
- 71. That Defendant, THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. warranted its product and provided certain written instructions in connection with the use of the product.
- 72. That the aforesaid accident was caused by reason that Defendant, THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC. breached its warranty or product merchantability and fitness for the intended use of the said product which warranties were both express and implied.
- 73. That the Defendant FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION warranted said product was fit for the purpose for which it was intended.
- 74. That the Defendant FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION warranted that said product was safe to use in every respect, and had been manufactured safely and warranted that it was good, safe and proper to use.
- 75. That the Defendant, FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION impliedly warranted that the said product was of merchantable quality and was safe for use.

- 76. That relying upon said warranties, Plaintiff proceeded to use the said product in accordance with its intended use.
- 77. That Defendant, FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION warranted its product and provided certain written instructions in connection with the use of the product.
- 78. That the aforesaid accident was caused by reason that Defendant, FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION breached its warranty or product merchantability and fitness for the intended use of the said product which warranties were both express and implied.
  - 79. That this action falls under one or more of the exceptions of CPLR §1602.
- 80. That as a result of the foregoing, plaintiff's intestate and plaintiff's estate was damaged in an amount which exceeds jurisdictional limits.

### AS AND FOR A SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION ON BEHALF OF TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM

- 81. Plaintiff decedent TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM, repeats, reiterates and realleges each and every allegation contained in the First Cause of Action, together with the same force and effect as though same were more fully set forth at length herein.
- 82. That the said bus and its component parts were defective and that said defect was a substantial factor in causing the injury to the Plaintiff.
- 83. That on April 25, 2020, Plaintiff decedent TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM, used the product for the purpose and use normally intended.
- 84. That on April 25, 2020, while Plaintiff decedent **TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM** was using the said product, he was caused to suffer severe bodily injuries.

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- 85. That by reason of the foregoing, defendants, their servants, agents, licensees and/or employees are liable to Plaintiff for strict liability and tort, and/or strict products liability.
- That by reason of the foregoing, plaintiff's intestate and plaintiff's estate, has been damaged in an amount which exceeds jurisdictional limits.

#### AS AND FOR A THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION ON BEHALF OF TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM

- 87. Plaintiff decedent TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM, repeats, reiterates and realleges each and every allegation contained in the First and Second Causes of Action herein, together with the same force and effect, as though same more fully set forth at length herein.
- That Plaintiff decedent TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM was caused to sustain those bodily 88. injuries through no fault or carelessness of his own, but due wholly and solely to the acts and/or omissions which constituted the negligence of the Defendants, their agents, servants, licensees and/or employees in improperly and negligently manufacturing and producing said bus and component parts for use by the general public; and in otherwise being careless and negligent.
- 89. That by reason of the foregoing, plaintiff's intestate and plaintiff's estate, has been damaged in an amount which exceeds jurisdictional limits.

#### AS AND FOR A FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION ON BEHALF OF TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM

Plaintiff decedent TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM repeats, reiterates and realleges each 90. and every allegation contained in the First, Second and Third Causes of Action herein, together with the same force and effect as though same more fully set forth at length herein.

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91. That plaintiff decedent was caused to sustain those bodily injuries through no fault or

carelessness of his own, but solely due to the acts and/or omissions which constituted the negligence of the

defendants their agents, servants, licensees and/or employees, in failing to use proper skill in the

manufacturing, designing and labeling of said product; in failing to provide for basic, common, safety

principles; in labeling the product in a defective and improper manner; in failing to advise plaintiff decedent

that the equipment in accordance with the instructions became defective and was unsafe and hazardous; in

failing to properly inspect, design and test the aforesaid product before allowing same to be used by the general

public; in failing to give proper and timely notice to plaintiff of the defective, unsafe and poorly labeled

product, and improperly not providing for warnings, in accordance with the instructions of its use; in failing

to provide a safe product, and causing, creating and allowing a defective, improper product by improperly

designing the product; and pennitting it to remain and exist; in negligently assembling the said product; in

failing to provide proper safeguards and warnings to prevent injury to the users and others of the said product;

in failing to warn the plaintiff decedent and others of the dangerous, improper and poorly designed label and

defective instructions and condition of the product, and in manufacturing improperly and negligently designing

labels, and warnings, and releasing same for its use to the general public; and in otherwise being careless and

negligent.

92. That by reason of the foregoing, plaintiff's intestate and plaintiff's estate has been damaged in

an amount which exceeds jurisdictional limits.

AS AND FOR A FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION ON BEHALF OF TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM

93. Plaintiff TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM repeats and realleges each and every allegation

set forth above with the same force and effect as if more fully set forth at length herein.

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94. That as a result of the unlawful, improper, negligent, violative, obstreperous, wilful and grossly deficient acts, actions and conduct on the part of defendants, their agents, servants, personnel, and employees, the Wrongful Death of plaintiff decedent was caused, created and suffered.

95. That by virtue of the foregoing, plaintiff's intestate and plaintiff's estate have been damaged in amount which exceeds jurisdictional limits.

### AS AND FOR A SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION ON BEHALF OF BRIJMATTIE KISSOON

- 96. Plaintiff **BRIJMATTIE KISSOON** repeats and realleges each and every allegation set forth above with the same force and effect as if more fully set forth at length herein.
- 97. By reason of the above, Plaintiff BRIJMATTIE KISSOON brings this action for the wrongful death of Plaintiff decedent TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM on behalf of herself, and on behalf of all others entitled to compensation, for damages, both general and special, in an amount which exceeds the jurisdictional limits of all lower courts which would otherwise have jurisdiction.

WHEREFORE, plaintiffs demand judgment against the defendants herein in an amount which exceeds jurisdictional limitations, together with the costs and disbursements of this action.

Yours, etc.

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ATTORNEY'S VERIFICATION

MARK I. GOLDSTEIN, an attorney duly admitted to practice before the Courts of

the State of New York, affirms the following to be true under the penalties of perjury:

I am an attorney at GOLDSTEIN & GOLDSTEIN, P.C., attorneys of record for Plaintiffs,

TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM, and BRIJMATTIE KISSOON. I have read the annexed

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and know the contents thereof, and the same are true to my knowledge, except those matters therein

which are stated to be alleged upon information and belief, and as to those matters I believe them to

be true. My belief, as to those matters therein not stated upon knowledge, is based upon facts,

records, and other pertinent information contained in my files.

Dated:

Brooklyn, New York

April 20, 2022.

MARK/I. GOLDSTEIN

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COUNTY OF KINGS

BRIJMATTIE KISSOON, as Administrator of the Estate of TRIBHOWANDEO GANGARAM, and BRIJMATTIE KISSOON, Individually,

Plaintiffs,

-against-

DAIMLER TRUCKS NORTH AMERICA, LLC, NAVISTAR, INC., FREIGHTLINER CORPORATION, and THOMAS BUILT BUSES, INC.

Defendants.

#### SUMMONS AND VERIFIED COMPLAINT

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Plaintiff/Petitioner.

- against -

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